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In the Claims:

Claims 1-63 (Cancelled).

- 64. (Currently Amended) A pallet comprising:

 <u>a at least one</u> top support member <u>for supporting</u>

 adapted to support cargo;
 - a at least one bottom support member;
- a plurality of solid support blocks for separating the at least one top and bottom support members so that a lifting member can be inserted therebetween;

each solid support block comprising a composite material entirely devoid of any openings and comprising at least one cellular material and at least one thermoplastic thormal plastic material, and having upper and lower support member fastening surfaces devoid of any openings for completely defining respective upper and lower support member fastener areas; and

- a plurality of fasteners for fastening the at least one top and bottom support members to the plurality of solid support blocks via the respective upper and lower support member fastener areas.
- 65. (Previously Presented) The pallet according to claim 64, wherein the plurality of solid support blocks comprises three groups of blocks, wherein a first group of support blocks is positioned in a first row adjacent a first edge of the pallet, a second group of support blocks is positioned in a second row across the center of the pallet, and a third group of support